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VIRGINIA EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER SITUATION REPORT #3 1330 HOURS, 13 August 04

SITUATION:

Hurricane Charley is expected to move through Central Virginia starting mid-day Saturday. Precipitation projections indicate a two-day total of 2-5 inches of rain with isolated areas receiving more than five inches with the possibility of local riverine, flash flooding, tornado activity and Tropical Storm force winds. Wind gusts present a threat for downed trees and power lines.

WEATHER:

The weather systems moving through Virginia are expected to affect most of the state. Hurricane Charley is expected to begin to impact the area mid-day Saturday morning with moderate to heavy rain Saturday night, possible Tropical Storm force winds 40-50 mph and the threat of isolated tornadoes.

EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS:

The City of Danville declared a local emergency and opened its EOC at 1830 hours in response to reports of damages caused by a possible tornado in the vicinity of Riverside Drive. Preliminary reports indicate major damage concentrated in the Central and Southside portions of the City, and the Forest Hill residential area has been severely impacted. Several commercial buildings and three schools, George Washington High School, Langston Focus Center and an alternative educational center, have received structural damage. Damage assessments are ongoing.

Impact on Individuals

- 15-20 reported with minor injuries
- 1500 customers are currently without power
- All major roads passable, 6-12 secondary roads and streets closed due to debris and high water, restricted travel in the Forest Hill area – open to residents only
- Two reported water lines broken in a residential and commercial area

ONGOING STATE ACTIONS:

- Department of Health has put District and Regional Teams on alert and checking communications equipment
- State Corporation Commission has contacted all state utilities to determine their preparatory actions
- State Police is contacting staff to make sure staffing is adequate for weekend
- American Red Cross Hurricane Watch Team operational at 1000 today

“Working to Protect People, Property and Our Communities”

PROJECTED STATE ACTIONS:

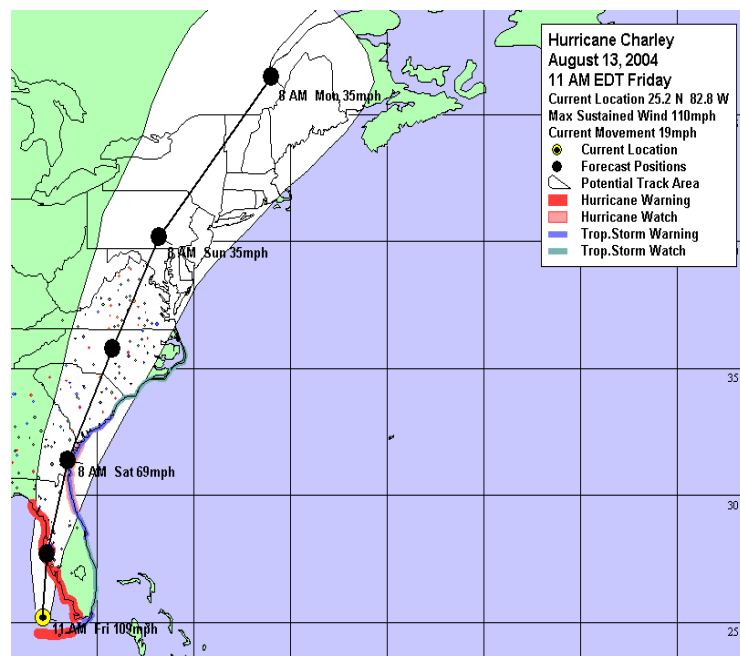
- Virginia Emergency Operations Center at Readiness Level 1 – affects of a tropical system expected within 24 hours.
- All agencies of the Virginia Emergency Response Team are reviewing plans and alerting appropriate staff.
- Additional VDEM staff in place at the VEOC and remaining through the weekend.
- The VEOC is conducting conference calls with state agencies daily. VEOC is participating in regional conference calls with FEMA and neighboring states. Joint VEOC-NWS conference calls with local governments will be conducted today.
- The next SITREP will be issued at 1000 tomorrow, available on www.vaemergency.com -

STATE PRIORITIES:

- Citizen safety and welfare
- Aggressive pursuit of providing resources to local governments
- Continuous communication with localities
- Collection and evaluation of Initial Damage Assessments and Local Situation Reports
- Emergency public information

Summary by Locality: Local Situation Report Summary attached

PROJECTED TRACK OF HURRICANE CHARLEY 1100 hours



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